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## **Communicating the Facts-2010 KIP Conference**

Amidst H1N1 almost one year ago today, one of the toughest choices the Kansas Immunization Program Team had to make was to cancel the 2009 Annual Conference. "It is hard to believe it has been a year," said Patti Kracht, KIP conference planner, "it was such a difficult decision, but as a program we knew it had to be done to best assist our providers and protect our citizens of Kansas through the H1N1 pandemic."

Great news! The 2010 Kansas Immunization Program annual conference "Communicating The Facts" is right on schedule and filling up fast with over 230 registered participants. The conference will be held October 27-29th, 2010 at the Hyatt in Wichita. Please join us. You won't want to miss out on this year's great line-up of speakers such as: Donna Weaver, CDC: Vaccine Updates and Common Errors

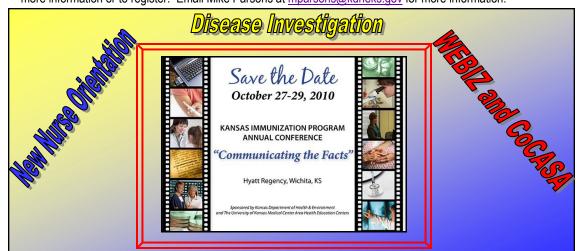
Patsy Stinchfield, Director of Children's Hospital of Minnesota: Vaccine Safety
Dr. Goodpasture & Jason Lane will discuss Mr. Lane's hospitalization and battle with H1N1
Rachel Cunningham, Texas Children's Hospital: Communication Tips for Families Regarding VPD's
Rodney Throgmorton & Family: Family loss of their 5 month old daughter to pertussis
Mollie Shriver and Shari Sutton, Salina Family Healthcare: Best practices on making every shot count
Dr. Jason Eberhart-Phillips, Kansas State Health Officer

Kansas Immunization Team: Program Updates, a look back and communicating future goals. Although vaccine preventable diseases are very rare in the communities that we live in, this does not mean that they are eliminated. Parents and individuals look to their health care provider, searching for answers to their vaccines safety questions and concerns and wondering if they need to continue to vaccinate. As healthcare providers we need to be knowledgeable about how to "Communicate the Facts" to address these concerns. The 2010 Kansas Immunization Program will provide participants with the tools to assist the people they encounter with making an informed decision about protecting themselves and others. The Immunization Program believes that vaccines are safe and provides the protection needed to prevent any family from paying the price of a disease that was vaccine preventable.

At the conclusion of the conference, participants will be able to: Discuss communication skills that address vaccine safety questions and concerns; Provide useful strategies to avoid common vaccine delivery mistakes; Describe best practices for achieving immunization excellence; Discuss recent and ongoing issues in vaccine preventable disease surveillance and epidemiology; Define how an immunization information system can enhance clinic practices; Identify strategies to enhance adolescent immunizations; and Define the status of federal, state, and local immunization programs. The University of Kansas Medical Center Office of Continuing Medical Education designates this educational activity for a maximum of 15 *AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)*™ and 13.2 contact hours for nurses, with an additional 2.4 contact credit for the Pre-Conference Workshops.

The Conference fee was \$75 if pre-registration and payment were postmarked by September 24, 2010. After September 24, 2010 the fee is \$100. Conference fee includes Pre-Conference Workshop, After Hours Session on Thursday evening, program material, refreshments, breakfast, lunch and continuing education credit. If attending Pre-Conference Workshop and/or After Hours Session on Thursday evening *only*, the fee is \$20 and pre-registration is required.

We hope you can join us. We are excited to see you all in less than a month. Please click on the logo below for more information or to register. Email Mike Parsons at <a href="mailto:mparsons@kdheks.gov">mparsons@kdheks.gov</a> for more information.



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#### WELCOME NEW PROVIDERS!



#### VFC PROVIDERS

Wakeeny Fam Care Ctr-Wakeeny Labette Health Peds-Parsons St. Joseph Fam Med- Great Bend Dr. Handshy Med. Clinic- Parsons WesleyCare Fam Med. West-Wichita



#### KSWEBIZ PROVIDERS

Stanton County Clinic
SW Blvd. Fam. Health Care-KCK
Provid. Care-Living Water-KCK
Wellsville Fam. MedBaldwin Medical Clinic
Labette Health Peds.
Wakeeny Fam. Care Ctr.
Holton Fam. Health Ctr.
Topeka Peds-HL7 Office Pract.
Jewell Co. Hospital/RHC

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## Kansas Cocoon (Tdap) Project

While pertussis does cause morbidity in adults, morbidity and mortality are significantly greater in children and especially in infants. This has certainly been the case in the ongoing pertussis outbreak in California, which has now claimed the lives of nine infants living there, as well as the death of an infant living in Kansas.

In 2001, the Global Pertussis Initiative was implemented, with a key strategy of "cocooning" (vaccinating family members and close contacts of the newborn)

and in 2008, the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) mirrored these same recommendations. This recommendation is what led to the Kansas Cocoon Pilot Program which began in January 2010

In the 6 months since starting the Cocoon Project at the pilot hospitals and health departments, 265 doses of Tdap have been administered to new mothers (80%) and family members with close contacts to the newborns.

The hospitals and associated local health departments participating in the pilot program are Ransom Memorial Hospital (Ottawa, KS) with Franklin County Health Depart-

ment, Coffeyville Regional Medical Center (Coffeyville, KS) and Mercy Hospital (Independence, KS) with Montgomery County Health Department, and Memorial Hospital (Abilene, KS) with Dickinson County Health Department.

#### Lessons learned during these first six months include:

- Identified reasons for refusal, such as fear of needles
- Recognized need for increased education to parents from pediatricians and OB/GYN's.

**Process changes** related to barriers preventing family vaccination:

 Ransom Memorial Hospital has developed a process ensuring the family member is vaccinated at the hospital prior to the discharge of the mother. In the 2 months since the implementation of this new process, there has been a substantial increase in the number of family members receiving the Tdap vaccination.

For more information please contact Elizabeth Lawlor at elawlor@kdheks.gov



#### **KIP Welcomes New Staff**



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NEW KIP DEPUTY DIRECTOR ON BOARD- The Kansas Immunization Program welcomes Paul Garrison, a CDC Public Health Advisor, who has accepted an appointment to serve as Deputy Director of the KIP. He has previously served in the New Hampshire Immunization Program, and in Oklahoma prior to that. He comes highly recommended and we count it a privilege to serve side by side with an Immunization veteran. Paul's email is <a href="mailto:pgarrison@kdheks.gov">pgarrison@kdheks.gov</a> 785-296-1593

REGISTRY SUPPORT COORDINATOR- Brittany Ersery has joined our Registry Team. Brittany graduated with a Masters Degree in Social Work Administration and Policy from the University of Kansas. 785-296-1440 <a href="mailto:bersery@kdheks.gov">bersery@kdheks.gov</a>

NURSE CONSULTANT- Sheila Boos has joined us as a new nurse consultant and is currently heading our ARRA Varicella project. Sheila joins us from the Atchison CHD where she served as the administrator. Welcome Sheila. <a href="mailto:sboos@kdheks.gov">sboos@kdheks.gov</a> 785-296-2869.

DATA QUALITY COORDINATOR- Donna Conley has joined us full time as the WEBIZ Data Quality Coordinator. Donna has been working over the past year as a temporary employee in this position. Welcome Donna. <a href="mailto:dconley@kdheks.gov">dconley@kdheks.gov</a> 785-296-2774.

REGISTRY INTERFACE COORDINATOR- Michael McPherson has joined us full time as the WEBIZ Interface Coordinator. Mike has been working over the past 2 years as a temporary employee in this position. Welcome Michael. <a href="mailto:Mmcpherson@kdheks.gov">Mmcpherson@kdheks.gov</a> 785-296-1319. <a href="mailto:VFC ADMINSTRATIVE STAFF">VFC ADMINSTRATIVE STAFF</a>— Kristin Farris and Jackie Strecker have both joined us full time as Vaccine Fiscal Support (Jackie) and Vaccine Distribution (Kristin). Welcome both Jackie and Kristin. Can be contacted at: Jackie (785-296-2199) and Kristin (785-296-1566).

#### **VFC Vaccine Ordering Blackouts Ahead**

VFC Order Blackout Periods in Preparation for VTrckS- CDC is in the process of finalizing the timeline for VTrckS go-live. Based on the best information available at this time, they have determined that it would be most prudent for VTrckS go-live to occur later than the second half of October, as previously communicated. Based on this change, we need to update prior information provided about order blackout periods. The information below supersedes the information about order blackout periods contained in the "What's Happening Wednesday" message sent out on Sept 22, 2010.

Last day for placing direct ship orders (MMRV and Varicella): November 19, 2010

Last day for placing state-funded bulk replenishment orders (effects Grantee only): November 19, 2010

Short order blackout period (~2 days) for provider orders including flu vaccines that go through McKesson will take place just prior to go-live (dates not available at this time)

We will send further updates regarding the timing for VTrckS go-live and order blackout periods as information becomes available.



Shelly Pfeffer Debbie Baker Jackie Strecker Kristen Farris Shelly, Debbie, Jackie and Kristen have over 40 years of combined experience with the KIP program, helping to keep the program running from day to day!

## 2010-2011 FLU VACCINE INFORMATION-

2009 H1N1 virus, along with influenza A H3N2 virus and

influenza B viruse's are circulating internationally. While it cannot be known in advance which influenza viruses will predominate in any given year, the 2009 H1N1 virus, along with influenza A H3N2 viruses and influenza B viruses may circulate in the United States during its upcoming influenza season. The 2010-2011 influenza vaccine will protect against these three strains. Initial shipping of the 2010-2011 influenza vaccine has begun. Order your vaccine now.

## The ABC's of VFC

#### **ECONOMIC ORDERING QUANTIY UPDATE-**

CDC sends our program a monthly EOQ Provider Summary Report that reflects provider ordering behavior. The last report showed that our Monthly providers are 82%, Bi-Monthly 67%, and Quarterly providers 54% successful in ordering within their appropriate schedule. Our program appreciates your cooperation in this endeavor and although we see room to improve, we are very pleased to know that the majority of our providers are successfully implementing EOQ strategies. We want to encourage providers to continue to order within your EOQ calendar schedule, which will help in transitioning to the VTrckS ordering system next year.



2010 PROVIDER SATISFACTION SURVEY- Keep a look out for and email regarding our 2010 Provider Satisfaction Survey, we want to hear from you. We will be conducting the survey electronically

2011 influenza vaccine will protect against through Survey Monkey and are putting the finishing these three strains. Initial shipping of the 2010-2011 influenza vaccine has begun. Order your vaccine now. The survey will be emailed out separately and NOT included in the weekly edition of WHW.

#### **HELP US TRACK "TOGETHER"-**

In order to help us provide even better service to all our providers, we are asking for your help.

Please submit all monthly reports at the same time this will help us keep better track of vaccines expired, wasted, borrowed, etc.. Those reports would be MIRs, Temp Logs, Wastage Reports, and Borrowing Reports. By helping us do this, we can make sure all your information is documented in all appropriate reports on the same month. Please remember to include your provider name, PIN number and month reporting on each page you submit to us, this helps us identify and track any pages that may get separated in the reporting process, THANKS!

VACCINE SERVICE AWARD- The Kansas Immunization Program's "BEEWISE IN FLIGHT TOUR" held during National Immunization Infant Week earned Merck's Vaccination Service Award. The award was presented in August and a \$100 donation was made to the CDC Foundation by Merck in honor of this accomplishment. Thanks to all of you

who helped make this tour and

awareness effort a huge success.

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#### **Bring Immunity to Your Community Urges ANA**



The American Nurses Association (ANA) once again urges all registered nurses to get the seasonal influenza vaccine. As nurses, we have an ethical obligation not only to protect our patients, but also ourselves, our families, co-workers and communi-

ties from influenza illness.

In my first year as ANA president, I am eager to inspire nurses to lead the way to increasing vaccination rates among all health care workers. It is not acceptable to me that the seasonal influenza vaccine rate among health care workers remains below 50 percent, including the rate for nurses. We know nurses can contract and transmit seasonal influenza. As the most trusted profession, we owe it to ourselves, our patients and the public to be vaccinated and set the example we want the nation to follow.

ANA is not a lone voice urging 100% vaccination rates. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends that everyone age 6 months and older get an influenza vaccine during this influenza season - registered nurses included. We also want all nurses to know that ANA considers seasonal influenza vaccination one of several important components of a comprehensive infection control program. The program should address education, respiratory etiquette, hand-washing, and the use of proper and effective personal protective equipment. We encourage you to advocate for stronger infection control programs at your facilities to address seasonal influenza and other respiratory illnesses to increase safety for patients and staff. During last year's influenza season, influenza vaccination moved front and center in the public's consciousness due to the pandemic caused by the H1N1 virus. During this season, we have the chance to build upon the heightened attention that influenza vaccination received because of the pandemic. While H1N1 is no longer a pandemic, awareness of the dangers of influenza, especially for high-risk groups such as people with chronic health conditions, pregnant women and infants, certainly has increased. I would fully expect that the recent H1N1 experience will translate into higher RN vaccination rates. Importantly, the H1N1 virus strain is included in this season's influenza vaccine.

Safety and efficacy of vaccines is well established by research; adverse events are extremely rare. Studies show that vaccinating health-care workers cuts their absenteeism, protects their co-workers and families, and prevents infections and complications among patients. Influenza season can start as early as September and peak as late as March. I encourage you to take the time early in this influenza season to get the influenza vaccine in a program sponsored by your employer or on your own. It is crucial that you get protected as soon as the vaccine is available. I also want to remind you to use a safety syringe when vaccinating to protect against needlestick injuries that could lead to bloodborne pathogen exposure.

We've compiled an Influenza Toolkit to help you with resources on influenza disease and the vaccine: www.ANAimmunize.org/influenzatoolkit.

We appreciate what you do for your patients and to promote public health. Nurses truly play an important role in *Bringing Immunity to Every Community*! Karen Daley, PhD, MPH, RN, FAAN ANA President



### VFC Influenza Vaccine –Where is it?

It's flu season again and the Kansas Immunization Program (KIP) has been busy filling orders. We have currently received about 63% of our total allocation of flu vaccine. When KIP receives your order you are put into our flu order spreadsheet and as we receive allocations from CDC, we will send a percentage of your order with the balance being placed on backorder. This way we can evenly spread the available vaccine among all ordering providers. We do receive an allocation daily and orders are processed daily. Thus so far, our allocations have been rather small and we know you are trying to schedule flu clinics, but just remember that every order is treated equally and you may not be the only one in need. We do have plenty of vaccine available in the Fluzone PF (49281-0010-10) 36 months and older 1-dose vials, Fluzone (49281-0386-15) 6 months and older 10 dose vials and Afluria (33332-0010-01) 36 months through 18 years 1-dose syringes. The current flu vaccine order form can be found on our website <a href="http://www.kdheks.gov/immunize/forms.htm">http://www.kdheks.gov/immunize/forms.htm</a> and can be emailed to vaccine@kdheks.gov or faxed to (785) 296-6510.

#### **Hunter Health Adds Immunization Room**





Lesley Berrios and Eren Vargas

"The immunization staff at Hunter Health is proud to announce the grand opening of our Immunization Room at our Clinic. The Immunization room will be staffed with two full-time support staff: Lesley Berrios, LPN and Eren Vargas, MA. Our two pediatricians Dr. Mei Cheng and Dr.

Eleanor DeMoss as well as our three Family Practice Physicians are seeing an increase in number of children needing immunizations. By opening up an immunization room, we will be able to decrease

patient wait time in the exam room, improve our patient flow process and maintain quality control and quality assurance of vaccines on site. Since

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we have opened the room, we have received praise from our patients and patients families. We are prepared to see more children and to continue to provide quality care to our patients." Hunter Health Clinic is a RHC in Wichita and has been a VFC provider since 2001. Congrats on your new addition Hunter Health!

#### Sad Farewell-Good Luck Nichole



Please join the immunization team in wishing Nichole Lambrecht the very best as she moves toward a new opportunity in her career. Nichole has been able to serve KDHE as the Immunization Registry project manager for three years and has been with the project for five years. Nichole will be leaving us to utilize her skills to assist not

only the state of Kansas, but many other states and providers with their Immunization Information Systems. Nichole will be joining the team of our KSWeblZ vendor, Envision Technology Partners, in Colorado. She will be missed. We are extremely grateful for her dedication, hard work and service to a project that has benefited the State of Kansas. Best of luck Niki! Thank you for everything you have done to make KSWEBIZ what it is today and will be in the future. Please call the KSWEBIZ helpdesk if you need assistance during this transition. 1-877-296-0464.

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## KSWEBIZ Turns 5- Happy Birthday KSWEBIZ





When Coffey County Health Department went live on KSWebIZ August 3, 2005, nobody could have imagined where the registry would be five years later. Immunization program partners, along with every user of the system, have assisted in making KSWebIZ a nationally recognized immunization registry that has the ability to store and confidentially secure immunization information to protect Kansans against vaccine preventable diseases.

It all started during the late summer and fall of 2005 when 22 providers were enrolled. Prior to the Coffey County Health Department's go live date, birth certificate data had been migrated from vital statistics. Historical immunization data was loaded from each local health department prior to training. During 2006, enrollment continued for providers who would access KSWebIZ through direct access and included 28 local health departments and 40 private provider sites. The next steps were to setup electronic data exchanges with the State Medicaid billing system, the State Women Infant and Children (WIC) system, and electronic health record (EHR) systems. There were two prominent EHR systems for LHDs in Kansas: Insight produced by Netsmart and PHClinic produced by KIPHS Inc.

As provider enrollments continued the first HL7 electronic data exchange was completed with the state Medicaid system in May 2007. The data exchange allows vaccination data billed to Medicaid to populate the registry. The first HL7 bi-directional, real-time data exchange occurred in July 2007 with a LHD through the Insight, Netsmart system in Finney County. In December 2007 a data exchange was implemented with the PHClinic, KIPHS system. In 2008, enrollment continued and the school module was developed and piloted to 28 school personnel.

In 2009, H1N1 was front and center for most users who access KSWebIZ. The KS-CRA module was deployed in September 2009 and nearly 2000 users were able to access the system for H1N1 reporting purposes. Although many activities were put on hold, KSWebIZ didn't stop growing. Additional school personnel were trained, private providers enrolled, and all 105 LHDs were accessing KSWebIZ. Current statistics as of August 31, 2010 are as follows: 251 total providers, 146 private providers (two interface), 105 LHD's (51 direct entry, 54 interface), 958 direct entry users, 201 school districts, 758 schools and 396 school personnel.



## Who Needs the FLU Vaccine- You Do!



2010-2011 INFLUENZA RECOMMENDATIONS- The CDC's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) has published its recommendations regarding the use of influenza vaccine for the upcoming

2010-2011 flu season. The full document can be found at http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/rr59e0729a1.htm

The recommendations include many helpful tools, including a table of all currently licensed flu vaccines (<a href="http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/">http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/</a> rr59e0729a1.htm?s\_cid=rr59e0729a1\_w#tab2), and a flow chart for determining how many doses of flu vaccine should be administered to children based on seasonal and H1N1 doses received last season (<a href="http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/rr59e0729a1.htm?s\_cid=rr59e0729a1\_w#fig3">http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/rr59e0729a1.htm?s\_cid=rr59e0729a1\_w#fig3</a>).

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The ACIP recommendations can be summarized by four main points:

- · All persons aged ≥6 months should be vaccinated annually.
- · Protection of persons at higher risk for influenza-related complications should continue to be a focus of vaccination efforts as providers and programs transition to routine vaccination of all persons aged ≥6 months.
- · Children aged 6 months--8 years whose vaccination status is unknown or who have never received seasonal influenza vaccine before (or who received seasonal vaccine for the first time in 2009--10 but received only 1 dose in their first year of vaccination) as well as children who did not receive at least 1 dose of an influenza A (H1N1) 2009 monovalent vaccine regardless of previous influenza vaccine history should receive 2 doses of a 2010--11 seasonal influenza vaccine (minimum interval: 4 weeks) during the 2010--11 season.
- \* When vaccine supply is limited, vaccination efforts should focus on delivering vaccination to persons who:
- -- are aged 6 months--4 years (59 months);
- -- are aged ≥50 years;
- -- have chronic pulmonary (including asthma), cardiovascular (except hypertension), renal, hepatic, neurologic, hematologic, or metabolic disorders (including diabetes mellitus);
- -- are immunosuppressed (including immunosuppression caused by medications or by human immunodeficiency virus);
- -- are or will be pregnant during the influenza season;
- -- are aged 6 months--18 years and receiving long-term aspirin therapy and who therefore might be at risk for experiencing Reye syndrome after influenza virus infection;
- -- are residents of nursing homes and other chronic-care facilities;
- -- are American Indians/Alaska Natives;
- -- are morbidly obese (body-mass index ≥40);
- -- are health-care personnel;
- -- are household contacts and caregivers of children aged <5 years and adults aged ≥50 years, with particular emphasis on vaccinating contacts of children aged <6 months; and

-- are household contacts and caregivers of persons with medical conditions that put them at higher risk for severe complications from influenza.

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# Just Lookin' Around!



#### Morton County Health Department- Elkhart, Ks.

For Immunization Awareness Month in August, we were looking for another way to reach out to the community and remind them that immunizations are important. We came up with several flyers with the little tabbed bottom-like a sale flyer to catch their eye-and distributed them around town. We had a great response! We were able to review numerous records, catch up those who were behind and educate adults on Tdap. Lessons we learned from this was that next time we will be sure we are fully stocked up on our vaccines as we gave 30 Tdap in one day, which is quite a high amount for the size of our Health Department. Montoya Family Practice-Wichita, Ks.

The staff of Montoya Family Practice requested ongoing immunization training in order to keep up with ever-changing information. Kim Barr, VFC coordinator, developed a clinic reference from KIP materials and various websites. A quick reference book was created for various procedures done in the office that included an immunization section. New or updated information is also posted on the staff bulletin board. Staff is expected to know all updates. Each workstation has a copy of the clinic book, the ACIP schedule and the site map for injections by vaccine type. Kim has staff complete a test she has developed containing both old and new information. Staff members do not administer vaccines until they pass the test. Providers only utilize staff that has proficiency for immunization issues. As an incentive, the clinic offers the opportunity to attend the Kansas Immunization Conference.

#### As of August 31, 2010

Number of Providers Live = 252

Private = 147 (139 direct entry, 2 interface, 15 non VFC)

Public = 105 (51 direct entry, 54 interface)

Number of Registry Direct Entry Users = 886

Number of School Districts = 201 totaling 758 schools

Number of School personnel = 396

Number of New Vaccinations entered by Schools= 175.979

Number of Patients = 1.737.703

Number of Vaccinations = 14.133.602

HL7 new vaccinations added = 7,642,128 HL7 new patients added = 692,231

Click here to check on HL7/EMR interface updates:

http://www.kdheks.gov/immunize/webiz HL7 announcements.htm

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Welcome New KSWEBIZ Schools!				
Wichita Catholic Schools	USD 264 - Clear- water	USD 373 - Newton	USD 438 - Skyline	
USD 204-Bonner	USD 265 - God-	USD 374 - Sublette	USD 440 - Halstead	
Springs	dard	USD 376 - Sterling	USD 448 - Inman	
USD 261- Haysville	USD 266 - Vermil- lion	USD 385 - Andover	USD 450 - Shawnee Heights	
USD 208-	LIOD 000 Lineals	USD 386 - Madison	USD 460 - Hesston	
Wakeeney	USD 298– Lincoln USD 299-Sylvan	USD 400 - Smoke	USD 462 - Central	
USD 216- Deerfield	USD 308-	Valley	USD 465 - Winfield	
USD 227-	Hutchinson	USD 410 - Hillsboro	USD 470 - Arkansas City	
Jetmore	USD 309 - South	USD 413 - Chanute	USD 480 - Liberal	
USD 241-	Hutchinson		USD 483 - Kismet-Plains	
Wallace County	USD 327-Ellsworth	USD 418 - McPher- son	USD 507 - Satanta	
USD 248- Girard	USD 331-Kingman- Norwich	USD 419 - McPher-	USD 509 - South Haven	
USD 258-	USD 356-Conway	son County	Ottawa University	
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If you are a VFC provider and would like additional information on pro-

grams you are eligible for, or if you are interested in becoming a VFC Provider, please contact mparsons@kdheks.gov or 785-296-3975.

http://www.kdheks.gov/immunize/vfc\_program.html